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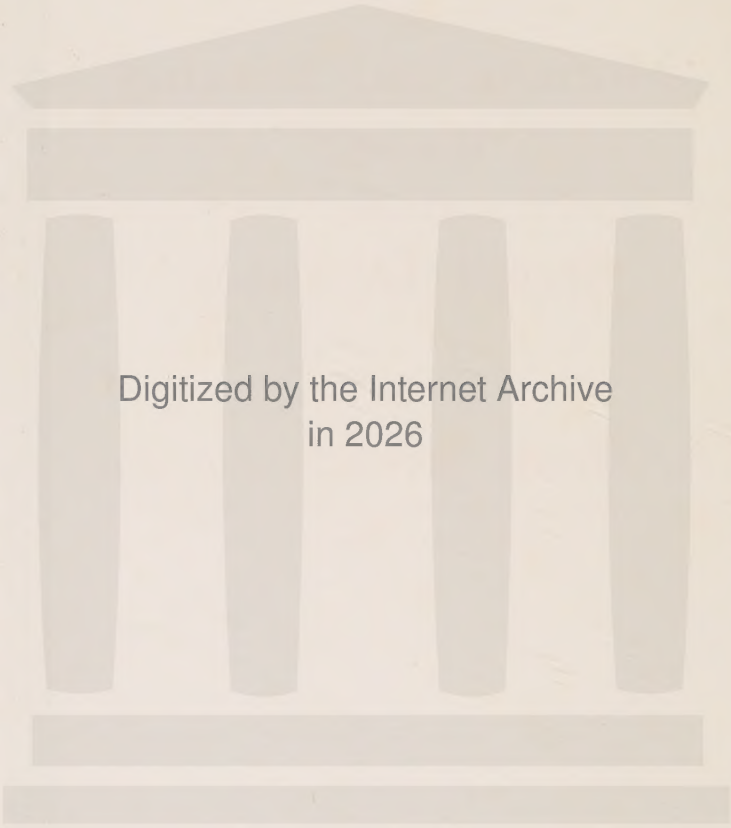
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Preface

THE aim of this book is to give what we all may want to say in our Home Prayers; and to give it in words that shall come naturally to us.

While symmetry has not been forgotten, simplicity, directness, and brevity have been sought rather than a finished literary form. And it is hoped that the petitions will be found to be expressed and arranged in a manner as little as need be removed from the style of ordinary speech.

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The First Week

Sunday Morning

O LORD, God, who didst give Thy Son to be the Saviour of the world, we praise Thy Holy name for His coming, and for the message of Salvation that He brought. For His lowly birth ; for His works of power and love ; for His words of eternal life ; we thank Thee ; and for His atoning death, and glorious rising from the dead.

Make us sharers in the joy of these great things. And may we have grace to consecrate ourselves to Thy service, as becomes those who have received Thy mercy.

We pray for all who shall come to Thee this day in public worship. Receive us when we seek to have fellowship with them. May we all truly meet with Thee. Give us earnest desires for Thy best gifts. Bestow upon us the spirit of praise, that we may serve Thee with

gladness. Open our minds to receive Thy truth with freshness of understanding; and our hearts to welcome it with obedience.

Pour out Thy Spirit, O Lord, upon Thy whole Church, and upon all men. Teach and strengthen all ministers of religion. May those who labour amid difficulties and discouragements experience Thy present help; and may Thy missionary servants in foreign lands have many converts to the truth.

On this, the Day of Rest, may we, and all Thy people, be enabled to rest our minds from worldly thoughts, and our hearts from undue care. And do Thou cleanse us from all that is not fit for Thy presence; and accept us as Thine own, both now and hereafter, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Home Prayers

Sunday Evening

O LORD, God, Thou art great and holy; and we are not worthy, nor are we able, to worship Thee. Yet we come unto Thee through Christ, our Mediator: do Thou receive us for His sake.

We thank Thee for this Day, and for the message it has brought to us and all Thy Church: May Thy people everywhere go forward from it, refreshed with Thy grace, and strengthened for Thy service.

We thank Thee for all that Thou hast shown to us in Him who is the Light of the World. May our conscience be more and more enlightened to know Thy truth, and our hearts inclined to keep Thy law.

Put within us right desires, and enable us to overcome wrong inclinations. Help us to keep

the good resolutions we have made. Pardon our failures in the past; may they teach us our own weakness, and make us take hold of Thy strength.

O Lord, we pray Thee to bless the sad and the solitary to-night. Heal the broken-hearted; and calm the minds of those who are in great distress. May the helpless find their help in Thee.

Give some portion of His peace to every one for whom Christ died; and may His intercession avail for those who do not know how to pray for themselves.

Bless our home this night. Protect us from danger, and guard our hearts from sin. Give us rest, to prepare us for the duties of the coming day; and pardon all our sins, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Monday Morning

O GOD, Thou art our Lord and Master: we desire to be Thy servants. Accept us in Jesus Christ; and for His sake give us a place in Thy kingdom, and a share in its work.

We have professed Thy name, and the faith of Christ in Thy House: may our life be more worthy of Thee than it has been.

Help us, in our common days, to use what Thou hast given to us in the Lord's Day.

We have asked for the gift of Thy Spirit: may we cherish His fellowship, and never refuse the offers of His help.

We have asked for strength; may we not shrink from any duty because it is difficult.

Help us, O Lord, to enjoy the useful work that lies ready for us to do. May we always hear

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Thy call, and answer Thy bidding; and may we never be found idle.

Make us wise in all that we shall do to-day; and kind and true in all our dealings with those whom we shall meet.

Be pleased to preserve us from danger, and keep us from sin.

Incline us to help any whom we can; and to do to others as we would wish that they should do to us.

We pray for all who are in trouble: to whom the light of this day brings no gladness or hope. Lift up their hearts to seek Thy help.

O Lord, Thou knowest what we need: give it to us for Jesus' sake; and enable us, in all things, to give ourselves to Thee, through Him, our ever-blessed Lord.

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Monday Evening

O LORD, who hast been our dwelling-place in all generations, we thank Thee for our home to return to at the close of the day. Be Thou its Head; and make us all to be Thy children, by faith in Jesus Christ, and obedience to Him.

We thank Thee for the care and kindness with which Thou hast surrounded us this day. Thou hast given us light, and made us safe. Thou hast borne with our waywardness, and kept us from falling. Give us a patience like Thine own.

Dwell with us, O Lord, and suffer us not to go away from Thee at any time.

If we have erred in any way to-day, recall us to Thy side, and forgive our fault.

If we have been found wanting in what Thou

gavest us to do, show us where we have failed, and pardon our short-coming.

Wash us from the stains of the world. May the blood of Christ, our Sacrifice, be sprinkled upon us anew, that we may be clean.

Cool the heat of our spirits with the dews of heaven. Soothe our irritations, and refresh our weariness. Heal our sickness, and make us strong.

O Lord, Thou art near to us at all times; grant to us the comfort and joy of Thy presence.

Hallow this evening hour with Thy peace. In its stillness may we hear Thy voice; and may our hearts be open to receive what Thou dost speak, in the spirit of obedience and humility, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Tuesday Morning

O GOD, who art great in Thy power and Thy holiness, we thank Thee for revealing, also, Thy great love to us in Jesus Christ. Help us to trust Thee ; and make us willing to be led, at all times, by Thy hand.

O Lord, put into our hearts a true reverence for Thy name ; and increase our zeal for Thy glory. Enable us to live as those ought who fear the Lord. When we are tempted to be unfaithful, may Thy Spirit restrain us. When we hear His voice in our conscience, may we not grieve Him, but yield obediently to His direction.

O God, who hast given us the example of Thy great love to men, we commend to Thee all endeavours to improve the lot of the unfortunate ; praying Thee to prosper and increase them. Look upon all hospitals and asylums for the care

of the diseased in body and mind. May their work be owned by Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Physician, and blessed to the restoration of the sick.

O Lord, be pleased to accept our thanks for all Thy mercies.

Thou hast blessed us with many good gifts; help us to enjoy them simply, and to use them with humility and faithfulness.

May we be careful, this day, and every day, to live as those who bear the name of Christ, and have the promise of eternal life in Him.

Grant us, O Lord, to have a quiet trust in Thy promises; And bless us always with Thy favour; And strengthen us for Thy service, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Tuesday Evening

ALMIGHTY God, we come before Thee to give thanks for Thy goodness to us, and to ask Thy blessing on our hearts.

It is by Thy mercy that we have been spared till this day, and kept in it from harm.

We thank Thee for the health and comfort we enjoy ; for the shelter of our home ; and for the peace that is around us in it.

We thank Thee for our work, and for the ability to do it.

Help us to obey Thy law ; and to keep the commandment of Jesus Christ, which is love.

O God, as the days of our life are increased in number, may we grow in grace. May sin not have power over us. Strengthen us to fight the good fight of faith, and to stand fast for righteousness.

Thou, O Lord, hast placed us where we are. Amid the things that are seen and temporal, Thou

hast called on us to live for those things that are not seen, but eternal. Give us hearts to live at all times in Thy presence ; and to look beyond the present to the everlasting future. Teach us so to use the things of this life that it may be a worthy preparation for the life to come.

O Lord, bless all the means that are used to further righteousness and justice in our land. Give us good laws ; and make us to be a God-fearing and law-abiding people. Bring repentance to those who are in prison, suffering for their crimes ; and may the Gospel of Jesus reach fugitives from justice, and reclaim them.

Turn us, and all men, O Lord, towards wisdom ; and to the ways that are pleasantness, and the paths that are peace ; that so we may follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Wednesday Morning

O GOD, our Strength and our Redeemer, we thank Thee for the rest of the night now past, and for the healthful awaking of this morning. May we use the strength Thou givest us, to serve Thee better than we ever yet have done.

We thank Thee for the shelter of our home, and for our daily food ; for all of gladness that is in our life ; and for every hope that lifts up our heart and leads us forward with expectation to the future. For the love of our friends, and for their sympathy and help, we thank Thee ; and, most of all, for the love of Christ, and His great help.

O Lord, keep us in the love of Jesus all this day. In Him may we go out to do Thy will, and prosper in our work. Fit us for our duties. Lead us in the right way, and keep us from wandering out of it. May we speak no wrong

word, nor do any thing that might be displeasing in Thy sight.

Grant, to us, O God, the victory over sin and all evil. May we conquer in Him who fought for us and overcame; till, at last, we enter into rest through Him.

O God, we pray Thee to strengthen all who are weak, and encourage those who are afraid of difficulties, pains, or perils. May Thy hand uphold all who are like to faint and fall.

Guide us, O Lord, in all that we do to-day: may it be a true offering to Thee, and done faithfully and well; that we may serve Thee both now and for ever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Wednesday Evening

OUR Father, who givest the day for labour, and the night for rest, we gather to one another that we all may gather ourselves to Thee.

Receive us, gracious Lord, that we may be near to Thee this night; and cause us to know Thy nearness and Thy tender care.

We have not answered Thy goodness with obedience and love. We have gone too much after our own pleasure, and wandered from the path of our duty towards others and to Thee. Bring us back, O Lord, and restore us to Thy grace.

O God, as Thou hast joined us in one household, be pleased to join us in Thy fear and love. Enable us to serve one another, and so to serve Thee. May each help the other to be good and to do good. May none make it harder for another to live as becomes the children of God.

First Week

Put far from us, O Lord, unkind thoughts and harsh tempers; and may unloving words and unhelpful ways be unknown in our home.

Make and keep us true and pure; faithful, and humble, and unselfish.

May the fellowship of Thy Holy Spirit be within each one of us. May His presence put away the sin that is in our nature, so that our life together may be like the life of Jesus Christ, our Example.

O God, we thank Thee for Thy care through all this day; and for our comfort this night. Give us the sleep we need; and in our rest, and in our waking, may we be still with Thee.

Bless all our friends, and grant, to them and to us, the pardon of our sins, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Thursday Morning

O LORD, we thank Thee for bringing us to this day, and pray Thee to keep us in it; making us safe from danger, and guarding us from sin.

We thank Thee for the cheerful light of the sun: open our minds to see the beauty Thou hast set around us in Thy works.

We thank Thee for Thy gifts of health, and strength, and understanding: cause us to use them in Thy service.

Especially, we praise Thee for Him who is the Light of our hearts; and for the beauty of holiness revealed in Him. May we love the light of Thy presence, and receive willingly the direction of Thy law.

O God, we thank Thee for Thy word given to us in the Bible. May we know and value the

Holy Scriptures more and more ; and so use them that they may make us wise unto salvation, through faith in Christ Jesus.

Guide us, O Lord, in all our work this day. Make us able for every duty, and ready to perform it. Grant us wisdom and enterprise in all we do ; and do Thou lead us to success.

O God, make us strong to meet temptation, and overcome evil. Keep us from falsehood, and from evil temper ; from hasty words, and unkind acts.

May we remember, at all times, that Thou seest us ; and may our thoughts, and our words, and our behaviour, be found pleasing in Thy sight, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Thursday Evening

O GOD, who art our gracious Father, in Jesus Christ, our Lord, accept us as we come to worship Thee; and give us the Spirit of faith, and of humble gratitude for all Thy mercies.

We thank Thee for keeping us in safety throughout this day.

Pardon the sins Thou hast seen in us. Cleanse us from evil.

Turn away our thoughts, and wishes, and purposes from what is wrong.

Make us to love what is good; and may we be willingly obedient to Thy holy law.

O God, we bless Thee for Thy love, to us and all men, declared in Jesus Christ: help us to receive it with simplicity and faith. Lord, we believe: help Thou our unbelief; and enable us

to take hold of Thy strength, and to live according to our faith.

Pardon and accept our imperfect service of Thy will; And enable us to persevere in our endeavours after what is right, and to increase in knowledge, zeal, and charity.

Send the knowledge of Thy truth to all who are ignorant. Comfort those who are this night in any sore distress; and deliver those who are in any danger, especially such as are tempted to sin. Make Thy presence and Thy help known to them, O Lord, that they may be saved.

O Lord, give us peace in our hearts, and quietness in our minds. May we rest without any fear or disturbance. And may Thy Spirit dwell in us, that we may keep the fellowship of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Friday Morning

O LORD, God of our Salvation, Thy mercies have been always with us: help us to give thanks for Thy forbearance; and to use with diligence each day Thou givest us, to work in it the works of God.

Enable us, with pure hearts and willing minds, to know what is Thy will for us this day, and to obey it.

May we gather our thoughts, and all our strength, to do our duty; so that it may be undertaken heartily, and done with all the ability Thou hast bestowed on us. May none of Thy gifts be wasted by slackness on our part, and none abused by being employed for ends displeasing to Thee.

O God, who carest for all men, may we hold nothing that Thou hast given us in a selfish grasp.

Incline us to be thoughtful for the good of others, and to help them when we can. Give us a kindly spirit, and the grace of courtesy. And, as we seek to follow after Christ, may something of the beauty of His character be found in all our words and ways.

Pardon, O Lord, the sins and imperfections of our past days; and help us to avoid them, now and in the future. If anything in our work to-day is difficult, make us able, with wisdom and strength, to do it well.

Grant, O God, Thy blessing upon all our interests: And may Thy favour rest upon us and our friends.

Save us from what we have any cause to fear; and give us what we desire and need. And may all we do be acceptable to Thee, in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Friday Evening

O LORD, who carest for us and all Thy children, we turn aside from the work of the day, and its companionships, that we may meet with Thee. Graciously bend down to answer our approach, and lift us up, who are bowed before Thee.

Thou knowest our sinfulness, O God: Pardon us; and cause us to know and repent of the things that have grieved Thee. Save us from self-righteousness; and give us that righteousness which is by faith of Jesus Christ.

Pity, O our Father, the weakness of our flesh, and the frailty of our spirits when we are wearied with the work that occupies us day by day. Support us in our endeavours to do what we ought; and in our conflict with sin do Thou uphold us, so that we may have the victory.

First Week

O Lord, give us the grace of gentleness and forbearance in our dealings with others. As we are so often in fault ourselves, may we not judge them hardly. May we always be helpful, and not provoking ; and do Thou give us the joy of happy friendship, and make us a joy to others.

Above all we ask Thee for a fuller experience of the friendship of our Saviour. We thank Thee for His love, and for the comfort of His Spirit. May we learn of Him who is meek and lowly, and find rest to our souls.

O Lord, may the quiet of this night bring rest to those who are burdened with toil that is too much for them ; peace to hearts that are disquieted ; and hope to those who are suffering disappointment. And may Thy blessing be upon us all, according to our need, for Thy mercy's sake, in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Saturday Morning

O GOD, Thy mercies are new every day, and we desire to renew our thanks to Thee for them.

We have rested, and are refreshed ; we would go out in Thy strength, and be found, all this day, in the way of Thy will.

We would accept the guidance of Thy law, and Thy providence. May our heart be attentive to hear Thy voice, and our conscience ready to understand and answer it. And may the spirit of hearty obedience be found in us.

Save us from listening to any voice that may contradict what Thou dost speak. May the suggestions of the world be unheeded when they oppose what is right. May our own wishes, and our will, be silent and submissive ; that so we may be led without debate or resistance, in the path that is chosen for us by Thee.

First Week

Give us a wisdom from above, that shall be higher than prudence; and a faith in Thee that shall be safer than foresight. Enable us to cast our care upon Thee, who carest for us; and, having done our duty, to await the fruits that shall come to us from Thy hand.

Grant to us, if it please Thee, what we desire and ask in our private thoughts and prayers; and make us to desire the good of others as well as our own good; and, before all things, to seek Thy glory.

O Lord, we commend to Thee all our friends and relations; be pleased to bless them; and join them and us with bonds that are closer than the ties of blood, through the faith and love of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Saturday Evening

ALMIGHTY God, we thank Thee that Thou art willing to receive our worship, and to answer our prayers. Give us a true and humble reverence before Thee, that we may know how great a thing it is to come into Thy presence.

Pardon our ignorance of ourselves; and give us a due sense of our sinfulness, and our need of Thy mercy.

We have failed to honour Thy law in our hearts and in our conduct. We have been wilful, disobedient and proud. We have been insincere towards Thee, who knowest all things. We have deceived ourselves, and been unfaithful towards our fellow-men.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord; and pardon us for all the evil of our hearts, and the error of our ways. Enable us truly to repent of our sins; to correct the wrong things Thou hast seen in our

affections; and to amend the faults that have marred our behaviour.

O Lord, we desire to receive Thy salvation in Jesus Christ. Renew our faith and love; and quicken within us a true zeal for righteousness.

Enable us to use the means of grace Thou hast provided for us. Prepare us to worship Thee on the Lord's Day. Make us one with all who are true believers in Christ; and more worthy to be admitted to the fellowship of those who are His.

Guard our home this night; and may Thy Holy Spirit give us right thoughts as we go to rest. And when we awake, may the sunshine of Thy favour be about us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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The Second Week

Sunday Morning

O LORD, Thou dost call us day by day unto Thyself: we thank Thee for the constant invitation of Thy love. May the special call of this day be blessed to us. Help us to answer it; and may no carelessness or coldness hold us back from drawing near to Thee.

We have sinned against Thee and dishonoured Thy name. Have mercy upon us, O Lord. Grant us the grace of true repentance; that we may turn away from sin, and follow after righteousness.

Thou knowest the evil that is in us. Grant us truth in our hearts, that we may hide nothing from Thee. May we submit willingly to Thy correction, and be cleansed by Thy Holy Spirit.

O God, Thou hast caused us to hope in Thy mercy. We thank Thee for the joy of Salvation,

and for the hope of everlasting life. Renew these in us to-day; and give them afresh to all Thy Church.

Widen the borders of Thy kingdom, by the preaching of the Gospel. May the heathen be converted; and may all Thy servants be confirmed in faithfulness and virtue.

Meet with us in Thy House; and make us ready to serve Thee with sincere praise and prayer. May all who seek Thy face, see it and be glad.

Give assurance to those who are doubtful, and rest to the weary.

Comfort the heavy-hearted. And may we all be refreshed and strengthened, in the fellowship of the faith and service of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Sunday Evening

OUR Heavenly Father, who hast blessed us all our days, we thank Thee for this day, and the blessings it has brought to us; and especially for the opportunity to worship in Thy House.

Accept the imperfect service we have rendered; and enable us to take away from this day, all that has been pleasing to Thee in it.

Confirm in us our repentance of our sins; and may the good thoughts that have entered our minds remain, and be the seeds of a fruitful harvest, in the working days of the week we have now begun.

O Lord, we are not where we ought to be in the heavenward walk. Pardon our backwardness; and enable us to put away everything that has caused it. Set our feet anew in the everlasting

way, and enable us to persevere in it to the end.

We commend to Thee our fellow-worshippers, and all who have called on Thee this day.

Give them Thy peace, and the assurance of an answer to their prayers.

Remember the sick, and the lonely. Have in Thy care our friends who are far away from home : may they never be far from Thee. Comfort them in sorrow. Deliver them in danger. Make us near to those we love by drawing us all near to Thee.

Now, O Lord, give us rest this night, that we may be refreshed, and able for the work that is before us ; and in all things may we serve Thee, and be accepted in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Monday Morning

O LORD, our gracious Master, Thou hast given us this new day : help us to receive it in a right spirit, and to give it back to Thee in acceptable service.

Save us from carelessness, and make us diligent in our work. May we spare no endeavour to do it well. And do Thou prosper our efforts, and reward them with success.

O God, the things of this world are so great to us, because we are not large enough in our hearts, and in our thoughts. Pity our smallness, and enable us to measure our affairs, not by ourselves, but by the measure of Thy will, and Thy work.

Especially when we are troubled, make us to see things more as Thou dost see them. Give us quietness of heart amid the things that make us

busy. Help us to be calm in our judgment; and to use the understanding Thou hast given us, without excitement or anxiety, in a humble dependence on Thy will.

We commend to Thee our friends and neighbours, and all with whom we have any dealings. May we help one another, and honour Thee in all things. Put away unjust suspicion and evil-speaking from our midst; and, having the example of Christ before us, may we share His Spirit, and live a life worthy of our profession of His name.

Now, O Lord, keep us this day from sin. Guide our steps, and strengthen our hands; and accept all that we do, in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Monday Evening

OUR Lord and Father, we desire to take the coming of the night as a call to gather ourselves to Thee.

Graciously receive us as we kneel before Thee. Give us humility in our hearts, that we may not be thoughtless in Thy presence. Give us, also, the spirit of loving trust; that we may not be afraid to draw near.

Pardon our sins, O Lord, and cleanse us from those which Thou hast seen in us to-day. Make our conscience quick to see our own faults, and uneasy till we have confessed them to Thee.

We thank Thee for the atonement made by Jesus Christ, our Saviour. We believe that in Him Thou canst forgive and wash us from our sins. We plead His merits and mediation; receive us for His sake.

Second Week

Grant to us the gift of Thy Holy Spirit, to dwell with us, and be in us. May He teach us the truth of the Lord, and show us His will.

O Father of all men, we commend to Thee, this night, those who are suffering pain of body or distress of mind: May the hand of Jesus be laid upon them, to heal them.

Increase the knowledge and skill of those who study and practice the art of medicine: May the spirit of Christ, and His power, be given to them in their work. And in his conflict with disease and death may man have, more and more, the victory.

Grant to us, O Lord, and to all Thy people, the victory over sin, and every evil thing, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday Morning

O LORD, we desire to take this new day as a fresh call to Thy service.

We thank Thee for Thy constant care which measures out our life to us by the rising of the sun. We see Thy hand in all Thy works which are great: help us to see it, also, in our affairs, though they are small; and always to honour Thee.

Make us strong in Thy righteousness and calm with Thy peace. While we meet our fellow-men, enable us to cherish the fellowship of Christ. May nothing come between us and Him; so that our days here may be a true preparation for the Everlasting day, when Thou shalt admit us to a higher service and a nearer fellowship.

O God, who art King in all the earth; do Thou make Thy rule known to all men. Bless Thy servant our Sovereign. Give him Thy grace

in his heart, and surround his throne with wise counsellors.

Bless the Royal House, and all who are noble, or rich, or powerful, in this world: Make them to be Thy servants, and to use their power for Thee.

Give wisdom, O Lord, and the spirit of justice to those who make the laws of this and other lands. And may those who administer these laws be governed by Thy will; so that, without fear or favour, they may do justly, and cause men to live in confidence and safety.

Now, O Lord, be with us, this day, wherever we go; and prosper us in all that we do. Defend us from danger, and keep us from sin; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday Evening

OUR Heavenly Father, Thou dost renew Thy kindness to us every day ; help us to renew our gratitude to Thee for all Thy gifts.

Thou hast kept us throughout this day ; we thank Thee for Thy continual care which has been about us every hour.

If we have avoided the snares of evil ; if we have done any good thing ; it is by Thy mercy alone. We acknowledge Thy hand in all we have enjoyed, and in everything we have accomplished.

Pardon, O Father, our wilfulness and selfishness. We are very ready to forget Thee, who art so mindful of us, Thy unworthy children. Correct our faults, and make us ashamed of them. We would follow after Christ, our perfect Example : make us to be like Him. May we learn, day by day, to love what He has commanded. May we

hate sin, and be strong to overcome the wrong inclinations that rise up within us.

We thank Thee for the revealing of Thy will, which is righteousness and health for all men. Heal those who are suffering in sickness and pain; in poverty or any distress; and support those who are near to death.

Save such as are in peril of their souls. Deliver the victims of vice and crime; by the love of Christ set them free from the bondage of passion, and bring them into the liberty of the children of God.

O Lord, may the curtain of darkness be to us, this night, the sign of Thy protecting care. Cause us to rest in safety and health; and may we, and all whom we love, receive the forgiveness of our sins, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Wednesday Morning

O LORD, Thou hast raised us from sleep. Thou hast given strength to our body, and light to our eyes. Give us also, we pray Thee, strength of spirit, and guidance, for all we have to do to-day.

We thank Thee for the many mercies with which Thou hast surrounded us. Our hands are full of Thy gifts; may our hearts be filled with Thy praise.

Save us from a selfish spirit in receiving what Thou dost give; and from using it in any way that would displease Thee.

Bestow on us such a devotion to Thy will that we shall give ourselves gladly to Thy service, and withhold from Thee nothing that we have.

O God, we have often sinned against Thy law, and Thy truth, and Thy love: Pardon us;

and give us grace to seek Thy presence and help this day; that we may keep Thy fear, and be kept by Thee from sin.

Guide us, O Lord, with Thy wisdom. Make plain to us the way Thou wouldest have us to go. And if, at any time, Thou lead us by difficulty and hardship, may we not faint or be afraid. May we not draw back from following Him who endured the Cross, despising the shame.

Lift up our eyes and our hearts to the joy Thou hast set before us; and strengthen us to press towards it past every hindrance.

Give this consolation of hope to all who are undergoing any special trial; and make it more real, day by day, to us and all Thy people; lest we be tempted to rest in this present world, and to forget our high calling in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Wednesday Evening

O GOD, our Heavenly Father, accept us, Thy children, when we draw near to Thee, to ask an evening blessing.

Our sins would separate us from Thee, the Holy One; but Thou hast come past our sins to give us Thy mercy in Jesus Christ: May we receive it with humility and faith.

Give to us, and to all men, a better understanding of Thy dealings with us in Thy Son.

When we see Him in His lowly life, and in His loving work, may we learn to love righteousness. When we hear His teaching, may the truth enter our hearts, and make us free from sin.

And when we see Him in His dying, may we hate evil with a hatred like Thine own; and turn to Thy strength to save us from its power.

Second Week

O Lord, give us strength, and gladness of spirit in our service of Thee. Yet, cause us to know the shortness of our days here, that we may be diligent in doing our duty. And may our temper be gentle towards others, who share with us, for a while, the frailty and the burdens of this present world, and the hope of everlasting life.

O Lord, Thou knowest man whom Thou hast made : reach forth Thy hand, this night, to bless us with Thy love and help.

Hear the cry of those whose hearts are full of bitterness ; and answer the need of those who have no words to tell their pain.

Make peace amid the storms that threaten faith and hope ; and turn back the waters of despair. And in Thy mercy save us all, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Thursday Morning

O GOD, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, enable us to take Thy Spirit and life with every gift that we receive from Thee ; and to put our heart into everything we do this day.

We desire to acknowledge Thee as the Giver of all that we use and enjoy. May we do this not only in words, but also in our work, and all our conduct.

May we, and all we have, be ever ready for Thy service. Give us a conscience ready to hear Thy voice, and quick to obey it. Deliver us from selfishness and self-will. Widen our sympathy to feel the wants and the difficulties of others ; and incline us to help them when we can.

O God, be Thou our Guide and Protector. Keep us from any unwise course ; and make us safe from danger.

Second Week

We commit to Thee all our doings. Fit us for our work, and prosper us in it; and, in all things, may we live as those who look beyond the present world, and see Thee, the invisible God.

We commend to Thy care all whom we love; asking for them the blessings we desire for ourselves.

Especially, we pray Thee for those known to us who are in trouble; that they may know Thy care, and lean upon Thy present help.

Keep us, O Lord, in Thy fear all this day; and make us to rejoice in Thy favour, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Thursday Evening

O LORD, we desire to thank Thee for the grace Thou hast shown to us this day. Thou hast strengthened us for our work, and led us in our going out and coming in. Thy care has been about us every hour.

O Lord, we are not worthy of Thy favours. Make us to know our dependence upon Thee for our life, and everything we need ; and may we be willing to take what Thou dost give us, and to do without what Thy hand withholds.

Help us, O God, to see Thee revealing Thyself in the common things of our ordinary days.

Save us from the spirit that would ask from Thee without faith, and receive Thy gifts without thankfulness.

We are more ready to remember Thee in the time of our need than when we are enjoying Thy blessings. Pardon us for this ; and give us a heart

to see the answers to our prayers, and to take them with a humble acknowledgment of Thy goodness.

Keep us, O God, all our days ; so that, at last, we may be found among those servants who watch for the coming of their Lord, and are ready for His call.

Fit us to live, so that we may be ready to die. And take away from us the spirit of fear, and give us the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

O God, who art full of compassion, bless, this night, all who are in affliction. Comfort those who are in sorrow, and show to the distressed a way out of their troubles.

In Thy mercy, help us all according to our need ; for the sake of Thy love to us and all men, in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Friday Morning

O LORD, our God, we lift our hearts to Thee: give us faith, and purity of heart to see Thy face.

Thou, O Lord, art great in might, and unapproachable in holiness: we thank Thee that Thou hast drawn near to us in loving mercy, through Jesus Christ.

We desire to meet Thy coming with welcome: and to repent, and put away our sins. May we renew our obedience heartily, and be Thy servants not only in name but in truth.

Thou, O Lord, hast blessed us with the necessaries of our life: we thank Thee for them. We desire to take all that Thou givest, with humility and gratitude; and to use it in faithful service.

Second Week

May we not be blinded by the things of this world ; but led by them to understand Thy love, and learn Thy will.

Save us, we pray Thee, from a worldly spirit : from being too much concerned about our life and comforts. May we willingly spend and be spent in Thy service. While we work in this world, and use its things, may our hearts be in heaven. And do Thou grant us Thy peace.

O God, we believe that Thou dost make all things work together for good to them who are Thy children and Thy servants in Christ Jesus. Send the knowledge and comfort of this to those who specially need encouragement amid the trials and difficulties of their life.

Help us all towards patience and hope ; and accept us in Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Friday Evening

ALMIGHTY God, we kneel before Thee to humble our hearts in Thy presence: do Thou save us from a thoughtless and unworthy approach; and bend our spirits in true reverence of Thy holy name.

O Lord, we remember our sins; pardon them, and wash us from their stains; and make us willing to be delivered from their hold upon us.

We thank Thee that Thou art willing to receive us, sinners though we are: accept us in Jesus Christ, and renew our character by the working of Thy Holy Spirit in us.

Help us so to come to Thee, that we shall no more go away from Thy presence, nor be found unfaithful in Thy service. And in every time of temptation, or trial, or any difficulty, may we find Thy grace sufficient for us.

Second Week

O Lord, God of our salvation, as we look upon the world, and its things, and its life, give us eyes to see Thy hand, and Thy power, and Thy love, everywhere. May our mind be widened, and our heart enlarged, to understand Thy will for us and all men. Enable us to see past all that is imperfect, and to hope for the future in which Thou shalt make the heavens and the earth anew.

May those things that are cruel, and sore, and hard to bear, be soon past. May the sufferers be healed, and the weary find rest.

O God, hasten that kingdom which is righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. And grant to us, that we may enter into it now, and be found in it hereafter, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Saturday Morning

O LORD, our God and Saviour, we come before Thee with thanksgiving for Thy goodness, which is continued to us day by day.

Thou hast brought us to this morning: we desire to meet with Thee in it, and to be in Thy presence all the day.

O God, we are far from truth and righteousness, unless Thou draw us near.

We thank Thee for the call which bids us come to Thee: Cause us to hear and answer it. Turn us from everything that would lead us into sin; And set us, once more, in the way of truth and life.

We thank Thee for Him whom Thou hast sent to be the way for our souls, to lead us to eternal life. Join us to Him by a living faith; and make us through Him to be Thine own.

Second Week

May He be our Guide, both now and always. May His love be the law of our hearts; and may His truth be the light by which we walk, until we reach the everlasting day.

O God, pardon us who have so often turned aside from following Christ. May we no longer go after worldly objects alone, but set our desires upon Thy will, and Thy presence; and be constantly led by Thee.

O God, our Strength, and our Redeemer, look with pity on all who are weary and heavy-laden; and make Thy strength perfect in their weakness.

May those who have no other rest, find rest in Thee. And, in Thy mercy, bring us all, at length, into our Father's house, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Saturday Evening

O GOD, who art an everlasting Light to Thy people, we draw near to Thee this night, to give thanks for Thy mercies; and to make known our requests in Thy presence.

Remove from us any rashness that might take Thy name in vain.

Give us true penitence and faith, that our approach may be humble and sincere.

Shine on us with Thy favour, that we may see Thy face, and receive Thy help. And may our worship be acceptable to Thee.

O God, we have not answered Thy love as we ought. We have often forgotten Thee, and been faithless and disobedient. Yet Thou hast borne with us, and cared for us continually. Turn us, now, towards Thee, that we may renew our love and obedience, and forsake our sins.

Second Week

We thank Thee, O Lord, for the rest Thou givest us from labour; enable us to take it with quietness of mind, and to be free from care, and refreshed in spirit.

May we use our freedom to seek Thy service; and may the leisure of our heart be occupied with praise.

Especially we pray that we may find help in the services of to-morrow. Meet with us in them. Fit us to speak to Thee in praise and prayer.

Thou who dost give the Holy Spirit to them that ask of Thee, be Thou the Teacher of those who shall teach us and others of Thy people. Grant to them and to us, preparation for the study of Thy word. And may some who are far away from Thee be brought near, and made to share in Thy Salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Third Week

Sunday Morning

O GOD, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole Family in heaven and earth is named, we thank Thee that Thou hast been pleased to show Thyself, and to reveal Thy will in Thy Son.

May we come nearer to Him, this day, than we ever yet have come; and see Thee more clearly in Him.

And, may many who have been far off be brought into His presence, to hear His voice, and to receive the blessings of Salvation.

O God, who dost love the whole world, open every door that is closed to the preaching of the Gospel; and give to Thy servants faith and zeal to enter in.

Bless us, O God, and all Thy people, in worshipping Thee to-day.

May we read and hear Thy word with faith, and receive the truth, and love it.

Third Week

May the study and understanding of the Scriptures be greatly advanced in this and other lands; that the minds of Thy people everywhere may be filled with the knowledge of Thy truth, and their lives made more worthy of Thy name.

We pray for the prosperity and unity of Thy Church in the world. Take away from it error and superstition, and everything that causes blindness of heart; and endow it with a large gift of Thy Spirit.

Pardon, O Lord, the many faults that mar Thy Church; and, especially we pray Thee, turn us away from those that Thou seest in us. And grant that we, and all who are Thine, may be kept from falling, till we come into the presence of Thy glory, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Sunday Evening

O LORD, our God and Saviour, we thank Thee for this day, which reminds us of the finished work of Christ for our Salvation, and for all the world.

Help us to see Jesus, our Master, in His life and His death for men. May we learn His truth, and follow His example. May we share, by faith, in His dying; and be risen with Him, and walk in newness of life.

Take away from us, O Lord, those sins that have grieved Thy Spirit, and darkened our minds. Make us ready to part with everything that is displeasing to Thee. Cleanse us from the faults that would cause us to dishonour the name of Christ. Enable us to put on His righteousness, as a robe; and to work out our own salvation, by His help.

Third Week

Bless to us the memory of our friends who are departed from us to be with Christ; and make us to be followers of them in so far as they went in His steps; that we, also, through faith and patience, may inherit the promises.

O Lord, Thou art able, and Thou art willing, to do for us all that we desire or need: make us, and all Thy people, willing to receive Thy grace.

Make perfect Thy strength in our weakness; that we may bear our burdens worthily, and have the victory over sin.

We have asked much from Thee to-day, O God: Give us sincerity of purpose, that we may live according to our prayers, and be Thy faithful servants always, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Monday Morning

O LORD, help us to praise Thee in the morning of this new day. Be Thou our Guide in it; and lead us in a path that shall be safe for us, and pleasing in Thy holy sight.

Thou art our Light, our Hope, and our Salvation. We thank Thee for Thy constant kindness: Help us to serve Thee as we ought.

Put Thy truth into our minds, O Lord; and write Thy law anew upon our hearts. Cause us to know Thy will, and to love it.

May the teaching we have received in Thy word make us wise; and may the correction of Thy Spirit go with us, to warn us against evil.

Let us not enter on any wrong path, or attempt any foolish thing. May we have the mind of Christ Himself in us; and be enabled to follow His example more fully than we have done.

Third Week

We pray Thee, O Lord, to bless us in all that we do this day. Make us able for our duties. Give us the spirit of diligence in our work. May we be patient in doing it; and always willing to use our best endeavours in what we undertake.

Give us sufficient strength; and energy to use our strength rightly. With faith in Thee, and confidence in Thy gifts, make us cheerful in all our doings; and do Thou give us the joy of success and prosperity.

O Lord, what we ask for ourselves we desire, also, for our friends. Bless all whom we love. Guard them and us from sin; and keep us from harm this day. And lead us, always, in the fellowship of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Monday Evening

ALMIGHTY God, we desire to worship Thee; with a reverent faith may we know Thy nearness, and Thy readiness to hear our prayers.

Thou, O Lord, hast continued Thy kindness to us throughout this day: at its close we would renew our thanks to Thee for all Thy gifts.

It is by Thy mercy that we have been kept in safety, and are gathered, now, in peace: receive us, whom Thou hast so greatly blessed, and make us Thine own. Help us to give ourselves to Thee in a true surrender of our wills.

O Lord, we have not served Thee as we ought. Pardon the imperfectness of our obedience, and may we be more faithful in the days to come.

Forgive us for the thoughts, and feelings, and actions that have offended Thy holiness; and

may the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all sin.

We commend to Thy care our friends and neighbours ; praying Thee to join us in Thy love, and keep us in Thy fear.

Protect us this night ; and put Thy grace into our hearts. And may Thy Holy Spirit be with us always.

O God, who art Light, and in whom is no darkness at all, may no shadow come nigh our hearts this night. May the sunshine of Thy favour be about us, to guide us while we live ; may it be with us, to cheer us, when we die ; and may we see Thy face in peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday Morning

O GOD, Preserver of men, who hast given us our life, and health, and understanding, we thank Thee for all the benefits Thou hast bestowed on us. May we have grace to show our gratitude in a faithful obedience to Thy will.

O God, who seest us at all times, may our behaviour be right in Thine eyes this day. Keep us in Thy fear. Save us from wrong temper ; and make us gentle in spirit. Help us to avoid hasty speech, lest we be unwise or unkind in what we say.

Keep us from offending against any one ; and from causing another to sin. May we help others, and not hinder them in their endeavours to follow Christ ; and do Thou give us grace to copy His example in our own lives.

O God, our Father, we commend to Thee all

infants and little children. Guard them from evil, and protect them from harm. May they be brought to Jesus early, to know His love, and answer it. Enable them to learn what is taught to them ; and to choose what is good. May we all cease to do evil, and learn to do well.

Send Thy help, O Lord, to those who are weak, and those who are lonely. Protect and help widows and orphans ; and deliver those who are in poverty or any distress.

Give strength, O our Father, with the burdens and the duties Thou dost lay upon Thy children.

And bring us all, at last, out of the difficulties and trials of this life ; and grant us to inherit the life everlasting, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday Evening

O GOD, we thank Thee for calling us to draw near to Thee; do Thou enable us to make a sincere approach to Thy presence.

Open our eyes, that we may see Thee by faith; and purify our hearts, that we may worship Thee in truth.

Thou, O Lord, hast cared for us always. Although we have not deserved it, Thou hast continued Thy mercies to us without ceasing. May Thy kindness turn our hearts to Thee, in love and trustful confidence.

O Lord, we have sinned against Thee, and are unworthy of Thy love. Pardon our sins, and deliver us from their power. Strengthen in us the will for righteousness. Make us to be pure in our thoughts and wishes. Lift up our eyes to see the example of Christ, our Saviour; and open our hearts to love it, and choose it for our own.

Third Week

O Lord, we pray that Thy kingdom may be enlarged and the work of salvation prospered in all the world. Give success to Thy servants who are missionaries to the heathen; and bless their converts with strength to be faithful to Thee. Bless, also, the teaching of Thy truth in this land, and other Christian countries. May all men learn to know Thy name and to obey Thy law.

O God, teach us to trust Thy care for us and all men. Make us to be always dutiful and patient. Give us, also, the spirit of sympathy and help towards others.

Bless, this night, those who are suffering sickness, or pain, or any misfortune. In Thy love, answer the cry of distress; and send Thy saving help to us all, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Wednesday Morning

O LORD, our God and Father, every new day is an invitation to Thy service: may we hear Thy voice in each opportunity we have for doing good.

We give Thee thanks for the blessings of this morning. By Thy mercy we are spared to see its light in health and happiness. May we take Thy gifts with gratitude to Thee, and use them with a proper sense of our debt to others.

O God, we have often been selfish and disobedient: Pardon us for all our carelessness and neglect in the past. May we always welcome the call of duty; and never fail to answer it gladly. May we seek Thy glory at all times, and find our chief pleasure in doing Thy will.

O Lord, grant us Thy help in all we have to do to-day. Our work is Thy gift; we thank

Thee for it, and for the knowledge and strength that make us able to do it. May we be careful and thorough in everything, so that all we do may be done well.

We pray Thee for those who are unemployed because they cannot find work ; and for those who are idle because of sickness, or accident, or any distress. May the causes of these troubles be more and more removed ; and do Thou make health and prosperity to abound.

O God, our Lord and Master, may we be found faithful in Thy service this day ; and do Thou prepare us and all Thy people for the judgment of our works, and for the inheritance of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Wednesday Evening

O LORD, we pray Thee to receive us, as we come before Thee in prayer.

Give us the spirit of worship, that we may truly meet with Thee.

We are unworthy to take Thy holy name upon our lips. We are not able to come into Thy presence unless Thou draw us to Thyself.

Yet, we thank Thee that Thou hast come to us in Jesus Christ, and hast called us to come to Thee through Him. For His sake do Thou bless us, and grant to us the pardon of our sins.

O Lord, cause us to know our sinfulness in Thy sight; and enable us, each one, to confess our faults to Thee, and with true penitence, to turn away from them, and seek the things that Thou hast set before us.

Third Week

Save us from pride and self-will. Make us ready to learn by experience ; and may we grow wise by the teaching of Thy Holy Spirit.

We thank Thee for Thy kindness which has kept us through this day, and brought us to the time of rest.

We commit to Thee all the interests that have occupied us ; and pray Thee to make our work fruitful of advantage to ourselves and others.

O God, while we are busy with things that are little, and that must pass away, may we not forget those things that are great and everlasting. Through the imperfect and temporal, prepare us for that which is perfect and eternal ; and cleanse us from sin, that we may come into Thy presence for evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Thursday Morning

O LORD, who art our God and Saviour, we come to Thee through Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life :

Give us purity of heart, that we may see and love Him : Give us strength of purpose, that we may follow after Him.

Guide us, O God, continually, that each day may be to us a portion of the way to heaven ; and that each evening as it comes, may find us nearer to Thee.

Enable us so to do the duties Thou givest us that they may be steps in the way of righteousness. And may we always set before us the hope of coming into Thy presence, with joy, to give an account of our deeds.

We confess, O Lord, the sinfulness of our nature, and the imperfectness of our lives.

Third Week

Grant us grace to amend our ways before our neighbours, and in Thy sight.

Strengthen us for our conflict with evil; that in the hour of temptation we may have the victory. Save us from a vain confidence in ourselves; and make us to trust in Thy strength alone.

We commit to Thee the business of this day, and the duties and occupations that are before us: may we meet with Thee in them, and know Thy will, and do it.

O Lord, keep us, and all Thy children, safely. Take care of the weak and helpless. Comfort the sad, and encourage the hopeless. And grant that we and all who are Thine may be faithful to the end, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Thursday Evening

O LORD, our merciful Father, we thank Thee for the strength Thou givest with each day. We thank Thee, also, for the promise of rest the evening brings. Help us to rest our hearts in Thee.

We desire to take from Thee quietness of mind and heart. Speak peace to our conscience, and enable us to receive anew the grace of Jesus Christ, with penitence and faith.

For all that has been good in this day, we thank Thee. For what has offended Thy holiness, we pray Thy forgiveness.

May our sins be buried with Him who died to save us. May they not rise again to accuse us before Thee. Make us to be dead to sin, that it may no longer have power over us; and to live, henceforth, by the faith of Christ. May His

Third Week

Spirit dwell in us, and cause us to bring forth the fruits of repentance.

O Lord, we commend to Thy help all our necessities, and the need of those known to us who are in distress. Show to us all Thy pity and Thy strength. Fill our hearts with faith and trust in Thee. Take away from us dispeace and over-carefulness. May we rest in the Lord, and not be afraid. May we wait patiently upon Thy will.

O Lord, Thou art our God: make us more worthy to be Thy servants. Thou art our Father: make us more like Thy Son. And do Thou receive us, both now, and hereafter, and for ever, in Him, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Friday Morning

O LORD, we thank Thee for the rest Thou hast given us, and for the waking of this morning. Thou hast refreshed us: we desire to give our strength to Thee.

Thou hast given us many good gifts: may we not fail to see and value them; and may we use them always to the praise of the goodness of the Lord who has bestowed them on us.

O God, we thank Thee for the beauty of the light of day; and for the light of the understanding Thou hast put into our minds.

Increase our knowledge of Thy works, and our joy in seeing them.

Enable us, also, to understand Thy providence, and to know Thy will for us and all men, and to embrace it heartily.

O God of our Salvation, we thank Thee once

more for Jesus whom Thou hast sent to be our Saviour ; and for the message of His love which is always in our ears. Help us to receive it gladly, that we may truly share in the joy and strength of Thy Salvation ; and that we may live more as those ought to live who have received Thy mercy.

Help us, O Lord, to serve Thee faithfully this day. May we walk in the footsteps of Christ. Renew within us the gift of Thy Holy Spirit. May He keep us from sin and teach us Thy truth.

We commit to Thee our work : make us prudent, and strong, and able for any difficulty we may meet. And do Thou guard us from accident, and keep us in peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Friday Evening

O LORD, as the shadows of evening gather round us, we turn our eyes to Thee, their Light; we lift our hands to Thee, their Strength; we yield our hearts to Thee, their Life.

Receive us, O Lord, and bestow Thy blessing upon us. Grant us Thy peace, that our hearts may rest in Thee.

We thank Thee for the mercies of another day. Thy goodness and mercy have followed us all the days of our life; do Thou continue Thy favour toward us, till we come, at last, into the House of the Lord, to dwell there for ever.

O Lord, enable us to make our daily life more worthy of the end Thou hast set before us.

Lead us in the paths of righteousness. Deliver us from the sins that would hinder our progress;

that no error may turn us aside, nor any temptation cause us to fall.

Have mercy, O Lord, upon Thy children everywhere. We commend to Thee the weakness of age and of infancy. Support those who are ready to stumble and fall. Heal the sickness of such as are suffering pain ; and rest the weariness of those whose toil is hard. May gladness come to hearts that have ceased to look for it. Give light to eyes that are dull ; and make the hope of heaven more real to us all.

Help us, O Father, to trust Thee, meanwhile, without anxious care ; and to wait quietly for Thee, in faithful service ; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Saturday Morning

O GOD, who didst send Thy Son, that the world through Him might be saved, we come to Thee through Him. Receive us, we pray Thee, for His sake.

O Lord, bring us into the light, and cause us to walk in it.

Give us Thy truth in our hearts; and direct us in all our ways.

Show us our faults in the light of Thy holiness; and make us humble, that we may be willing to correct them.

Make our duty plain to us; and, when we see it, may nothing be allowed to hinder us from doing it.

Wherever we go, this day, may we not depart from Thee. Whatever we do, may we serve and honour Thee.

Third Week

O Lord, we pray, not for ourselves only, but for others also.

Bless our friends and acquaintances, and all with whom we have dealings, in business or pleasure. May we help one another to remember Thee; and never put a hindrance in the way of Thy service, or cause another to depart from what is right.

Bless all to whom this day is a day of suffering and trial; and grant them deliverance when they call to Thee for help.

Gracious Father, our hope is in Thy mercy; our trust is in Thy strength. Help us in our need; and strengthen our weakness. Save us from harm, and put far from us what we fear; and grant to us our hearts' desire, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Saturday Evening

O LORD, Thou art the God of our Salvation, we bring to Thee our need, and pray Thee to bless us for our Saviour's sake.

We thank Thee that we can come to Thee, although we are unworthy because of our sinfulness.

We have failed to honour Thee as we ought. We have not followed the example of Him who loved us, and gave Himself for us.

We have often chosen our own pleasure instead of Thy will.

Our hearts have been too selfish, and our ways too careless of the good of others.

Pardon us, O Lord, for all our unworthiness of Thy love.

Bear with us still, for Jesus' sake; and turn us towards Thy will.

May our affections no longer be given too much to this world's things.

Third Week

As Thou hast called us to attain to everlasting life, may we live, even now, as those who have this hope, and are making ready for Thy perfect service.

Purify our hearts, and enable us, by Thy grace, to cleanse our lives.

May our many failures teach us how unable we are to improve our character without Thy help ; and may we trust in Thee alone to save us from sin, and lead us to righteousness.

Prepare us for the Lord's Day, that we may meet with Thee, and worship Thee truly, in it.

May the power of Thy Spirit go with the teaching of Thy truth ; that Thy Church in the world may be increased, and Thy people advanced in godliness and virtue ; to the praise of Thy holy name through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Fourth Week

Sunday Morning

O GOD, we thank Thee for this morning, and the return of the light to gladden our eyes.

Thou who didst command the light to shine out of darkness, shine in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God.

Open our eyes, and purify our hearts, that we may both see and show forth the character of Christ.

O Lord, increase our desire after Thee ; that we may be more eager to use the privileges and improve the opportunities of this day.

Take away everything in us that hinders true faith and devotion ; and everything that keeps us back from serving Thee as we ought.

Make us less worldly in our thoughts and desires.

Fourth Week

May Christ be in us, the hope of glory ; and may we lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven ; that our life may be hid with Christ in God.

O God, bless the preaching of Thy word this day. Grant to all preachers, at home and abroad, the spirit of wisdom and love ; and may their message convert many from ignorance and error.

Especially we pray Thee to send to us, and to our friends, the word of correction, and teaching, and encouragement that we require.

Enable us, sincerely and humbly, to confess our faults one to another, and to pray for each other. And may the spirit of charity be found in all the gatherings of Thy people ; that their worship may be acceptable, in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Sunday Evening

O GOD, who art a Spirit, help us to be true worshippers, and to worship Thee in spirit and in truth. We thank Thee that the Father seeketh such to worship Him.

May we be found of Him who came to seek and to save that which was lost, and be numbered among His own. May the Good Shepherd lead us day by day. When He calleth His own by name, may we know His voice, and follow Him.

Put Thy truth into our hearts, O Lord, that we may be free from the bondage of error. And let no passion enslave us, while we stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free.

In this evening of the Day of Rest, give us the peace of those who have received the forgiveness of their sins; and the rest of dependence on our

Father's love. When our requests are made known to Thee, may we trust Thy kindness to give us what Thou seest to be good for us.

O Lord, we pray Thee for those who have lost companionships they loved; that Thy presence may comfort them, and Thy Spirit sustain them in their loneliness.

Lift up the hearts of us all to the many mansions of our Father's house, and to the glorious appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us.

The Lord direct our hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Him, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Monday Morning

ALMIGHTY God, help us, we pray Thee, to adore Thy greatness and Thy holiness, and to praise Thy love.

O Lord, we seek Thy presence: make us to find it not only in our worship, but also in our work; that all our days may share in the grace we have sought in the Lord's Day.

We give Thee thanks for the ever-present help of Thy strength: cause us to realise it, and to take hold of it in every hour of need. And, especially, when we are tempted to what is wrong, may we be willing to be delivered from our own weakness by Thy might.

Save us, O Lord, from the deceitfulness of our hearts.

Make us to be sincere before Thee, and truthful

and honest towards all with whom we have to do.

Give us candour in our speech, and graciousness in our bearing; that we may help others towards the straightforwardness and kindliness we seek to have ourselves.

O God, who hast wisdom, and givest it to all Thy creatures, we pray that knowledge may be increased.

Prosper the researches of science; and give advancement to every useful art.

Bless those who teach in schools and colleges; and give to all scholars and students that wisdom which is from above.

May our understanding of nature be enlarged; and may all that Thou givest be used for Thy glory, and for the welfare of mankind, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Monday Evening

O GOD, who art our gracious Father, receive us when we come to Thee in penitence and prayer.

Our heart condemns us; but Thou who art greater than our heart, and knowest all things, dost call us to Thyself, and offer us the pardon of our sins.

We thank Thee for Thy promises of mercy in Thy Son, who came, and lived, and died for our salvation. Enable us to receive them with faith, and to give ourselves to Thee in a hearty consecration of our life.

O Lord, make us to be Thy servants not in name only, but in reality.

May we love nothing more than Thy glory. And may we never seek our own advantage at the cost of another's loss.

Show us how we may help others in the life of faith, that we may have a share in the work of our Redeemer.

Fourth Week

We pray Thee, O Lord, for those who shall work this night while we rest: be Thou their Guardian and their Strength.

Especially we pray for all who must be wakeful because of any distress: for those who are sick; and for those who watch by their bed: and for those who have the care of tender infancy.

We thank Thee for Thy gift, the love of parents, in the unselfish patience of its unwearying ministry. Help us all to repay this love which we have all received.

O Lord, we all are but children before Thee, frail, ignorant, and wayward. Bear with us in Thy love which is greater than a mother's love; and in Thy patience which is far beyond a father's. Be Thou our Father indeed; and make us more worthy to be called Thy sons, in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday Morning

O LORD, God of all grace and truth, Thy mercies are renewed to us every day: help us to renew our faith and obedience.

We thank Thee for the light of this day: during all its hours may we be found in Thy service.

Open our eyes to see Thee; and may we never wish to hide from Thy sight.

Enable us to receive afresh the grace of Christ, and to keep His fellowship. May no temptation draw us away from Him, nor anything lead us out of the way that is marked by His footsteps. May His love dwell in our hearts; and may our wills be surrendered to His will.

O God, we pray Thee for the progress of all things that make for peace and goodwill among men. May honest trade increase, and commerce

bind the peoples into one. Above all, grant that the knowledge of the Lord, and obedience to His will, may join men and nations in friendliness and virtue.

We pray Thee for all who influence the opinions of men by public speaking or through the Press: Put Thy fear into their heart, and Thy word into their mouth; that in truth and purity they may further the cause of righteousness.

Bless our land, O Lord, with Thy best gifts. Put away from us intemperance, thriftlessness, and all vice. May what is unclean and unwholesome be banished from our midst. Save us from disease, and give us health. And may we use all that Thou givest, to the praise of Thy name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday Evening

MOST Holy Lord, we, who are sinners, look up to Thee in sorrow for our sins, and with desire for Thy mercy.

Pardon the evil Thou seest in us; and, especially, we pray Thee, pardon the faults of this day.

Show us the things in which we have failed to do right; and make us willing to be corrected and cleansed by Thy Spirit.

Help us to put away the sin that so easily besets us; and may no wrong habit have power over us.

Take away from us unholy passion; and turn us from any wish or purpose that is not hallowed by Thy will.

Make us, O Lord, to be clean in our thoughts, and true in our words, as becomes the followers of Christ, our perfect Example.

Fourth Week

O God, we desire to acknowledge the loving care with which Thou hast surrounded us at all times.

Thy blessings have been always with us. Thou hast not suffered us to be in want, but hast supplied our daily need.

We thank Thee for our home, and friends; for our work and livelihood; for health of body and mind; and for the peace of the message of the Gospel to our hearts.

O Lord, may no wrong thing be shut within the door of our home this night. Put away from us regret, anxiety, and all dispeace. And bless us and all men with the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Wednesday Morning

ALMIGHTY God, who art King in heaven and earth, we bow before Thee, acknowledging Thy sovereignty over us.

We have been disobedient. We have not loved Thy law and kept its commandments.

Pardon the faults of our past life ; and give us grace to mend our ways this day, and so long as it shall please Thee to spare us.

Thou hast honoured us, O Lord, with the call to be Thy servants : we thank Thee that its invitation is renewed to us once more.

Show us what Thou wouldest have us to do ; and make us able and willing to do it.

Put within us sincerity, loyalty, and zeal. May we miss no opportunity of serving Thee. May no burden find us backward ; nor any temptation take us by surprise.

Fourth Week

Prosper us, O Lord, in all that we do. We would take our tasks as from Thy hand ; and do Thou accept our work as done for Thee.

Guide our footsteps, and make them safe. Strengthen our hands, and give them skill.

May Thy blessing be upon our friends and neighbours. Remember in mercy those who are afflicted with illness or grief. Send help to the poor and friendless. Visit those who seek Thee ; and make Thyself known to those who have not learned to look to Thee with hope.

O God, we pray Thee to direct our thoughts, and control our hearts this day. May the light of Thy face gladden every hour ; and may the sound of Thy voice be heard in our hearts, telling us Thy love and Thy favour, in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Wednesday Evening

O LORD, our gracious God, we thank Thee for Thy kindness which has kept us through this day. Help us to know Thy care, and to enjoy it with a more simple faith.

Thou hast lightened our path, as we have gone out to activity. Thou dost send the curtain of night, as we come in to rest.

May the light of Thy favour be always with us. May no shadow of unbelief come upon our hearts; and no darkness of sin hide Thy face from us.

O Lord, who hast called us to come to Thee, we thank Thee that Thy call is not only for this present world, and to Thy service here, but also for the future life, that we may serve Thee for ever.

Make us ready, day by day, for the things which Thou hast prepared for them that love

Thee. May these things be revealed to us by Thy Spirit ; and may we desire them more than any lesser gift.

O God, our Help, give us rest this night. May we be kept in perfect peace, because our mind is stayed on Thee.

We pray Thee for all who are far from home ; for those who are journeying by land ; and such as are in peril on the sea : keep them, O Lord, with Thy strong hand.

Deliver those who are in danger of any sort ; and make known to their hearts Thy nearness and Thy saving help.

O Lord, we all are strangers in this world ; in Thy mercy keep us safe, and bring us home at last : through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Thursday Morning

O LORD, who art the living God, and the Source of all life, we wait upon Thee ere we go to the duties of this day. Do Thou receive us for Jesus' sake, and grant us Thy blessing in Him.

O God, we need the living touch of Thy hand to renew us day by day. More than the light of the sun, we need to see Thy face.

Put away our darkness of heart, and make known to us Thy favour in Jesus Christ.

Let us not be far from Thee at any time, nor feel as if Thou wert far off from us.

May no sin come between us and Thy presence; and may Thy love warm our hearts, and make us glad and strong; so that we may bear our burdens, and do our duties, cheerfully and well.

Fourth Week

O God, give us courage in the face of difficulty, and prudence in the management of our affairs. And grant us such a measure of prosperity as Thou seest to be good for us.

We have not deserved Thy kindness, O God: Yet Thou hast blessed us with many good gifts. Fill us with gratitude for all Thy mercies; and help us to use them in Thy service.

Have in Thy care, this day, those to whom the light is darkened by the shadow of death, or any disaster. May their cry be heard; and may they have faith to receive Thy answer.

Keep us all while we walk the difficult ways of this world; till at last Thou shalt call us to Thy nearer presence, and admit us to Thy perfect service, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Thursday Evening

O GOD, who art ever gracious, do Thou receive us, as we come into Thy presence with our evening prayer.

We have sinned against Thee. We have failed to keep Thy law in our hearts, and to honour Thy commandments in our lives. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

Grant us true penitence and faith, that we may take hold of Thy Salvation, and obtain the pardon of our sins, and enter into everlasting life.

O Lord, God of our Salvation, may we always live as those who have heard Thy call in Jesus Christ, and seen Thy face in Him.

We have often forgotten Thee, and lived unworthily of Thy love. Yet do Thou receive us for the sake of Him who alone is worthy.

Fourth Week

Amid the interests and occupations of our days, we are apt to feel far from Thee: draw our hearts near, and suffer us not to go away from Thee in our affections or our behaviour.

O Lord, make us to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men.

Deliver us from restless desires; from worry; and from ill humour.

Give us the great gain of godliness with contentment.

Loosen our hold on earthly possessions; and when it shall please Thee to call us hence, may we be willing to answer.

Hear and answer us, O God; and bless all who call upon Thee, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Friday Morning

O GOD, Saviour of all men, specially of them that believe, give us true faith in our hearts to trust in Thee, the living God, at all times. And do Thou accept our worship as we come before Thee to present our morning prayer.

Accept our thanks, O Lord, for all the benefits Thou hast bestowed upon us. Thy mercies are new every day; may our hearts be full of praise to Thee who givest them; and may we have grace to show our gratitude by living as Thy servants ought to live.

Help us to use Thy favours with gladness, and unselfishly. May we have a care for others that shall be like Thy care; that the spirit of Christ, and His example may be found in our lives.

Fourth Week

Be pleased, O Lord, to keep us this day from sin. We are not able to keep ourselves: defend us with Thy strength, that evil may not overcome us. When we are tempted may we not deceive ourselves, but look for Thy help, and take it, and be loyal to Thee, our Lord and Master.

Be Thou our guide, O God, this day and all our days. We commit to Thee our future, and all our interests. As we go forward to the unknown, grant us Thy presence who hast made Thyself known in the love of Thy Son.

Lead us, O Lord, and all Thy children, in the right path; and save us from all dangers by the way; until we come into Thy everlasting Kingdom, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Friday Evening

O LORD, our merciful Father, who dost send us out in the morning to our work, grant us, now, to hear Thy voice calling us to draw near to Thee and rest.

We thank Thee for the blessings of this day. Thou hast made us safe, and enabled us to enjoy Thy gifts. May Thy continual kindness fill our hearts with gratitude, and lead us to trust Thy love, and obey Thy law.

Prepare us, O Lord, to accept all that is Thy will for us. In trouble, strengthen us, and make us calm and hopeful. In prosperity, may we remember those who are in distress, and be willing to help them.

Lift us above this world; that we may not be dependent on its good things for our joy; and may no evil be able to cast us down utterly.

Fourth Week

Help us to live from day to day without too much thought for the morrow. Yet may we never be found wanting in diligence. Give us grace to use every talent we have ; and to make the most of every opportunity that comes to us, for doing good.

O Lord, we commend to Thy care those whose days of activity are past. Give light to eyes that are dim with age ; and an undying hope to those who are near to death.

May we all live as those who must soon give an account of the deeds done in this life. And do Thou make us, at last, to share in the victory of Him who has risen from the dead, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Saturday Morning

O LORD, we desire to begin this day with praise of Thy goodness and mercy, and to spend it in Thy service.

Put Thy fear into our hearts, we beseech Thee, O God; that our thoughts and intentions may be such as shall not offend Thy holiness.

Guide our footsteps, that we may not go in any wrong way, nor come into danger or temptation.

Keep us, O God of our Salvation, from falling into sin. And may our conscience be ready to receive the counsels of Thy Holy Spirit.

Take not away Thy help, because we have made so little use of it.

In spite of our unworthiness, continue Thy love toward us, for Jesus' sake. And grant us to enter more fully into the joy and strength of Thy Salvation.

Fourth Week

Give us Thy blessing, O God, both in our own hearts, and in our relations with others. We pray Thee to bless the community we live in ; that its affairs may be wisely arranged, for the advantage of all its members. In the fear of the Lord may we deal justly one with another, and be free from scandal ; and from rivalries, disputes, and all dispeace.

O God, we commend to Thee our friends, and all whom we love.

Heal those who are sick. Give comfort to the sorrowful, and strength to the weak. And, by Thy grace, fit us all for Thy service both here and hereafter, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Saturday Evening

O GOD, who hast taught us to trust in Thy strength, and to hope in Thy mercy, we come before Thee, once more, to give thanks for all Thy goodness toward us, and to pray for the continuance of Thy favour.

Thou hast spared us through another week: we desire to repent of its sins, and to learn the lessons of Thy gracious providence; that we may go forward to serve Thee better in the days to come.

O Lord, Thou knowest the weariness of Thy servants: may we never be weary in doing well.

Pardon the sin that makes it hard to serve Thee as we ought.

Make us weary of all that is not Thy will; and glad, only when we answer Thy bidding with obedience.

Fourth Week

Prepare us, and all Thy people, for the Lord's Day.

Bless those who shall preach Thy word in public, or teach it in schools, or at home. May many hear the Gospel, and receive it with faith and obedience. And, in Thy Church, may Thy children be refreshed, and strengthened for their conflict with sin and their endeavours after righteousness.

Join us to Thy Church in a true spiritual union. And grant us to be enriched in grace, by Thy word and sacraments, and by fellowship with all who are truly Thine.

O Lord, while we shelter, this night, beneath the roof Thou hast given us for our home, may the calm of Thy wide heavens be about our minds; and may Thy pure Spirit be breathed upon our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For Special Occasions

Christmas Day

To be used instead of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O GOD, who didst so love the world as to give Thy Son, that the world through Him might be saved, we thank Thee, this day, for His coming as a little child.

Bring near to our hearts the beauty and the meaning of the story of His lowly birth.

Refresh us with the joy of Thy Salvation; and enable us to keep this Feast with gladness.

May Christ be born anew into our home to-day; and received by all of us; and formed anew in each heart before Thee.

May we begin afresh, to-day, to live the holy, humble life He lived on earth; and to increase in wisdom, and in favour with God and man.

Special Occasions

O Lord, bless all our friends : those who are near us, and those who are far away. Join us with them, not only in the rejoicing of this festival, but also in the faith of Him who was born for our Salvation.

May the song of the Angels at Bethlehem be heard once more in all the world at this season.

May Thy glory be greatly advanced ; and may peace and goodwill abound among men.

Reconcile those who are at enmity. Put away misunderstandings between neighbours and friends. Cause wars to cease ; and unite the nations in the faith and love of the Prince of Peace ; and in obedience to Him.

We pray Thee for the poor, and all who are solitary to-day : bereft of friends or separated from them. Be Thou their friend, Lord Jesus. Visit them, and comfort them ; and bring to them a share of Christmas happiness.

O God, send the message of the Gospel to hearts that have not known it hitherto. May many make room for Jesus in the hostel of their hearts to-day.

Especially we pray that Thy Salvation may come to heathen lands. And may Thy Church

in all the world renew her faith and love towards Jesus Christ.

Hear us for His sake ; and grant us the pardon of our sins.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

New Year's Eve

To be used instead of the ordinary Prayers for the evening.

LORD, Thou hast been our dwelling-place in all generations: draw us near to Thyself, that in Thee we may be safe from change and loss, and safe from death.

We thank Thee for bringing us, in peace, to the end of another year. Thou hast kept us all through its many days: keep us, still, O Lord.

We bless Thee for the many mercies that we have received.

Thou hast lightened our eyes, so that we have not slept the sleep of death.

Thou hast kept our eyes from tears, and our feet from falling.

Thou hast given us, day by day, our daily bread.

Home Prayers

O Lord, who hast given us so many good gifts, help us to give ourselves to Thee.

Our Father, we desire to close this year with a humble confession of the many faults that have marred our service of Thee in it.

We have often neglected our duty ; and failed to use the opportunities Thou gavest us, for doing good.

Sin has prevailed against us. We have refused to listen to our conscience ; and have not been faithful to Thy law.

We have yielded to temptation, and been weak when we might have been strong in Thy strength.

Pardon us, O Lord, in Thy mercy. Help us to repent of the sins that have grieved Thee ; and to forsake them ; and to turn to Thee with a new obedience.

O God, we remember before Thee those who once were with us on this earthly road, but now walk in the clearer light above. Bless to us their memory ; and enable us to copy all that was like Christ in them.

O God, Thou art our Strength, our Life, and our Salvation : so teach us to number our days,

that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. And do Thou bring us at last, with all who are Thine, into the everlasting day; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

New Year's Day

To be used instead of the ordinary Prayers for the morning.

EVERLASTING Lord, Thou art the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever. Thou changest not.

We, Thy children, bow before Thee, acknowledging Thy goodness to us in Jesus Christ: be pleased, O God, to receive us for His sake.

We thank Thee for sparing us to see the beginning of this New Year: grant us Thy blessing in it, we pray Thee. And help us to consecrate ourselves anew to Thy service.

Forgetting those things which are behind, may we press towards the mark for the prize of the high calling in Christ Jesus.

Go with us, O Lord, in this year. Lead us

along the unknown path that opens before us. And may no harm overtake us.

If it please Thee, guard our home from sickness, pain, and death. And keep us all from sorrow, fear, and any distress.

Help us to amend our ways by putting away the faults Thou hast seen in us, in times past.

Deliver us from the power of sin. And break the chain of evil habit, lest we grieve Thy Holy Spirit.

May our duties be more faithfully performed; and all our work better done than hitherto. And may no opportunity of doing good be neglected by us.

Prosper us, O Lord, in all our affairs. Give us those things that we desire and need. Satisfy us with Thy mercy; and give us the spirit of peace, and gladness, and praise.

O God, make us to be always loving, unselfish, and gentle one to another.

May no harsh temper dwell in our hearts, or be spoken in our words.

Make us humble, true, and pure; after the example of Jesus, our Lord.

Home Prayers

O God, be Thou our Guide, our Protector, and our Redeemer.

Whatever changes may come to us, may nothing draw us away from Thy fellowship, and Thy service.

Day by day, and week by week, may we be found nearer to Thee ; until Thou shalt bring us past all change, and out of every danger, and away from sin, to serve Thee for ever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Good Friday

To be used instead of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O LORD, God, Holy One, who art from everlasting, Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity.

We have sinned and done evil in Thy sight; and are not able to look up to Thee. Nor are we worthy to ask that Thou shouldest look on us.

Our sins have separated between us and our God.

If Thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?

Enter not into judgment with Thy servants: for in Thy sight shall no man living be justified.

Yet Thou hast remembered us in our low estate; and hast prepared a Sacrifice for our sins.

Home Prayers

We come to Thee through our Advocate, Jesus Christ, the Righteous.

We thank Thee that He is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

O Lord, receive us in Him who was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. The chastisement of our peace was upon Him: with His stripes let us be healed.

O God, lead us by faith to Calvary, that we may see our Saviour in His dying for our sins. May we be crucified with Him, and die to sin. By His dismay in the Garden; by His agony upon the Cross, turn our hearts to hate our sins, and reconcile us to Thyself.

O God, may Jesus Christ be lifted up in all the world, that He may draw all men unto Him. May Thy Church be a faithful witness to the efficacy of His sacrifice. Move us, and all who know the Gospel, to a new and hearty repentance of the sins for which He died.

And may we, also, when we suffer, take it patiently, after His example.

And may we ever live as those who are not

our own, but bought with a price, the precious blood of Christ.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Easter Day

To be used instead of the ordinary Prayers for the Sunday.

O ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, who art the Author of life, we, who are frail and mortal, look up to Thee.

Thou knowest our frame ; Thou rememberest that we are dust. Look upon us in Thy mercy. Visit us with Thy strength, and grant to us Thy Salvation.

We praise Thee, O God, for the gift of Thy Son to be the Saviour of the world. For His life among men ; and for His death for the sins of the whole world, we thank Thee.

And, especially, we praise Thee for His glorious Rising from the dead, in which He brought life and immortality to light.

Blessed be Thou, O God and Father of our

Lord Jesus Christ, who according to Thy abundant mercy hast begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Grant us grace to be risen with Him; and help us to set our affections on things above, not on things on the earth.

May we be dead to sin, that our life may be hid with Christ, in Thee. And may we, also, walk in newness of life.

O God, we pray that the words of eternal life may come with new power this day, to all Thy Church.

Pour out the living water that it may be in us, a well of water, springing up into everlasting life.

O Lord, deliver Thy people from sin, and from the power and fear of death.

Aid us in our warfare with disease, and pain, and all distress. And give us the victory over every evil thing, until the last enemy shall be destroyed.

O God, who hast called us, that we should pass from death unto life, feed us with the Living Bread that came down from heaven, that we may

live for ever. And grant that by the merits and the power of Him who died and rose again, we may attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

Now, the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, make us perfect in every good work to do His will ; working in us that which is well-pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Birth or Baptism or Dedication of an Infant

To be used instead of the Last Section of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O GOD, our Father in Heaven, we thank Thee for the little child Thou hast been pleased to put into our midst.

Help us rightly to receive, and worthily to discharge, the trust that is laid upon us in this gift.

Accept the thanks of the mother that she is spared to rejoice in Thy goodness, and to dedicate her child to Thee.

Give us wisdom, strength, and skill to cherish the tender life Thou hast committed to our care. Preserve it in the weakness of infancy. Protect it from the perils that surround it. And grant that, without illness or accident, it may grow, in health and beauty, to maturity and strength.

Home Prayers

O Lord, may this home be the gate of Heaven to this little child. Help us to bring [*him*] to Thee. May [*his*] opening eyes be turned to Thy face. With [*his*] earliest understanding may [*he*] learn Thy will. And may [*his*] heart be filled with the love of Jesus, ere it can be given to the world.

O Lord, Thou hast given this child to us: help us to give [*him*] back to Thee.

Admit [*him*] into the Household of Faith. And may [*he*] increase in favour with God and man; until, at last [*he*] shall enter into the everlasting Home, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A First Communion or Confirmation or the Baptism of an Adult

To be used before the Last Section of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O LORD, God of our Salvation, we commend to Thee, Thy servant who at this time enters the fellowship of Thy Church in full Communion.

We thank Thee that [*his*] heart has been moved to make this profession of [*his*] faith.

Grant [*him*] the pardon of [*his*] sins, and peace in believing.

Give [*him*] grace to take up the vows of [*his*] baptism, and to bear them worthily, in a godly life.

Strengthen [*his*] faith, and enlarge [*his*] understanding of Thy truth.

Admit [*him*], at the Communion, to a true spiritual participation in the broken body and shed blood of the Redeemer : and so keep [*him*] through all [*his*] life, that, at last, an entrance may be ministered unto [*him*] abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Before Communion

To be used before the Last Section of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O GOD, who didst give Thy Son to be our Saviour, we thank Thee for Him, the propitiation for our sins; and humbly acknowledge our need of cleansing by His blood.

Prepare those of us who are looking forward to the Communion, that we may eat and drink worthily.

May we sincerely repent of our sins, and confess, and forsake them. May nothing hinder us from having true fellowship with Thee, and with all who are Thine.

Recall us, O Lord, from our wandering from Thee. Blot out all our iniquities. Create in us a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within us. Take not Thy Holy Spirit from us. Restore unto us the joy of Thy Salvation.

Enable us in this holy rite to discern the Lord's body. May the Bread be to us, indeed, the Bread of Life that came down from heaven. May the Cup be to us the Cup of blessing, and the New Testament in Christ's blood.

Help us so to remember Him in His dying, that we may die to sin. And may we deny ourself, and take up our cross, and follow Him.

Before or After A Wedding

To be used after the Second Section of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O GOD, our Father, who hast made us, and cared for us all our days, we humbly pray Thee for those dear friends who are [*so soon to be*] united in marriage, that Thy blessing may be upon them in this happiness.

Especially we commend to Thee [*her*] who [*leaves*] this home to enter into new relations and responsibilities. Do Thou go with [*her*], and be [*her*] strength.

We thank Thee for the mutual love in which Thy servants are joined. Be pleased to unite them in Thy fear, and to bestow upon them Thy favour.

May they help each other to live according to the law of Christ, and after His example. May grace and peace abide within their hearts, and adorn their home.

Give to them, if it please Thee, health and prosperity, and length of days; and, afterwards, do Thou bring them into the everlasting home.

For One Leaving Home

To be used before the Last Section of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O LORD, we desire to commend to Thee [*him*] who is about to leave this home.

Go with [*him*], and be with [*him*] where [*he*] goes. Keep [*him*] in safety and health; and, especially, keep [*him*] from sin.

May [*he*] not depart from Thee, but ever be near to Thee, in Jesus Christ, and by His Spirit.

May [*he*] find favour in Thy sight, and be given prosperity by Thy help.

Bless, to us all, the separations of this changeful life. May they prepare us for the last great change, which shall loosen all the ties that are merely of this earth.

If it please Thee, bring us all together again, in health and peace. And do Thou give us a more sure hold of the hope of that final union in which we shall be joined to all who are Thine, for ever.

For Friends Far Away or Travelling by Land or Sea

To be used before the Last Section of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O LORD, our Guide, and our Protector, we pray Thee for our dear one [*s*] who [*is*] at present far away from us.

Thou hast made us, and the world which is our abode: no place is far from Thee.

Thou carest for us all, and art able to help us, and make us safe.

With confidence do we commend to Thy fatherly care [*him*] who [*is*] bound to us by the ties of kinship and of love.

Have [*him*] in Thy keeping, O Lord. Protect [*him*] from danger, and suffer no harm to come to [*him*].

For [*him*], and for ourselves, we pray Thee, draw us near, at this time, to Thy throne of grace, that we may meet each other at Thy feet. And grant us always to be united in the love of Christ, and in His service.

For One in a Severe Illness

To be used instead of the First and Second Sections of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O LORD, God of our life, Giver of every good and perfect gift, we desire to acknowledge our dependence upon Thee for our life and health, and all that we possess.

We thank Thee for the many mercies Thou hast given to us; teach us, by them, to trust Thy love, and to hope in Thy mercy.

Hear us, O Lord, for [*him*] whom Thou hast suffered to be sorely afflicted. Grant to [*him*] relief from [*his*] distress. Bless the means that are being used for [*his*] recovery.

Give [*him*] strength to bear the strain of [*his*] illness; and may it please Thee to restore [*him*] speedily to health.

Sustain [*his*] heart in this time of trial; and, out of it, do Thou bring the gracious fruits of increased patience, sympathy, and hope.

Thanksgiving for Recovery from Sickness

To be used after the Second Section of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O LORD, we desire to thank Thee for Thy goodness to us in recovering [*him*] who was in great weakness and distress.

It is by Thy mercy that [*he*] is restored to health.

We have seen Thy hand in this affliction; and in our deliverance: give us grace to learn the lessons Thou hast purposed to teach us. And, especially, may [*he*] whom Thou hast raised up be enabled to consecrate [*his*] life anew to Thy service.

In a Time of Great Distress

To be used instead of the First and Second Sections of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O GOD, Thou art our God and our Redeemer. We come to Thee who art our Help: receive us graciously for Jesus' sake.

Thou hast suffered us to come into sore distress: be pleased to deliver us.

Give Thou us help from trouble, for vain is the help of man.

Turn away from us the threatening of that which we fear.

Cause us, O Lord, to hope in Thy mercy.

Restore to us quietness of mind; and make us willing to receive and to bear that which is Thy will for us.

And from this shadow and darkness bring us out into the light.

For One at the Point of Death

O GOD, our help is in Thee alone. Hear Thou our prayer and supplication, in Heaven Thy dwelling-place. Let our cry come unto Thee; and do Thou answer us, for Jesus' sake; and hear the cry of the great weakness and need of [*him*] whom we commend to Thee:—

O Lord, our hope is in Thy mercy. We have sinned against Thee, and are unworthy to ask Thy blessing. But Thou hast provided a Sacrifice for our sins, Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

We thank Thee for Him, and for His atonement. Accept us in Him. We would hide in Him. He said "Come unto Me"; and, "him that cometh I will in no wise cast out." O Lord, we come.

Lift up our hearts in faith, as we commend to Thee our dear one in this hour of need.

Pardon [*his*] sins. Cleanse [*him*] in the blood that is shed for the remission of sins.

Enable [*him*] to rest in Thy gracious promises ; and to have peace in quietly waiting upon Thee.

Thy love is perfect. Thy mercy is infinite. Receive [*him*] into the embrace of the Everlasting arms.

O Lord, Thou hast made us, and Thou hast kept us all our days. In Thy mercy, keep us, still. Thou wilt never leave us nor forsake us. Nothing shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

We will hope in Thee. We trust in Thee. Thou wilt receive us, both now, and for ever : not for our own sake, but for Jesus' sake. *Amen.*

In Bereavement

To be used instead of the ordinary Prayers for the day.

O EVERLASTING God, Source of our life, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, we bow before Thee, and stretch out our hands unto Thy help.

Amid the shadow of death, we turn to Thee, who art our Light.

In our weakness, we cast ourselves upon Thy strength.

Receive us, O Lord ; lighten our darkness, and support us.

Thou knowest the hearts that Thou hast made. Thou hast put within us the love that is wounded by the stroke of death. Lord, comfort and strengthen us. Help us to bow in submission to Thy will ; and still to trust Thee with unbroken faith.

Special Occasions

Lord Jesus, who didst weep with those who sorrowed for their dead, be with us. Quiet our hearts, that we may hear Thy voice. Make us to feel Thy love, and to know that what is good in Thine eyes is best for us. And help us to trust Thy mercy and Thy love, for the dear one Thou hast taken from our side.

O God, we thank Thee for Him who laid down His life, and took it again. We thank Thee that He died for our sins, and gave Himself for us that we might live for ever.

Lift up our eyes to the Resurrection Thou hast promised to them who are joined by faith to Him; and renew within us the hope of His glorious appearing.

O God, our Father, Thou dost bind us to Thyself with chains whose golden links are those we love. When Thou dost draw in to Thyself one link and another, make us to be by so much the closer to Thee.

Prepare us for the call that shall bring us, also, into Thy nearer presence; and enable us to watch and pray, as servants waiting for their Lord.

We commend to Thy pity all who are suffer-

ing as we are at this time. Bless all who are in affliction ; and, in Thy mercy, heal our sorrows, and put away our sins, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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